

GOVERNMENT OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA  
BOARD OF ZONING ADJUSTMENT



Application No. 16312 of Sibley Memorial Hospital, pursuant to 11 DCMR 3108.1 and 3107.2, for a special exception under Section 358 to establish a community residence facility with 124 residents and 47 staff; a special exception under Section 359 to establish a health facility with 96 beds and 64 staff; a variance from the number of stories limitation (Subsection 400.1) and a variance from the floor area ratio limitation (Subsection 402.4) for an addition to an existing hospital building and construction of a new facility for use as a community residence facility in an R-5-A District at premises 5255 Loughboro Road, N.W. (Square N-1448, Lot 25).

**HEARING DATE:** March 4, 1998  
**DECISION DATE:** March 4, 1998 (BENCH DECISION)

**SUMMARY ORDER**

The Board provided proper and timely notice of public hearing on this application by publication in the D.C. Register, and by mail to Advisory Neighborhood Commission (ANC) 3D and to owners of property within 200 feet of the site.

The site of this application is located within the jurisdiction of ANC 3D. ANC 3D, which is automatically a party to this application, filed a written statement in support of the application.

As directed by 11 DCMR 3324.2, the Board has required the applicant to satisfy the burden of proving the elements which are necessary to establish the case for a variance from the strict application of the requirements of 11 DCMR 400.1 and 402.4, and a special exception pursuant to 11 DCMR 358 and 359. No person or entity appeared at the public hearing in opposition to this application or otherwise requested to participate as a party in this proceeding. Accordingly, a decision by the Board to grant this application would not be adverse to any party.

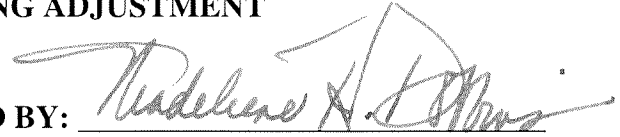
Based upon the record before the Board, the Board concludes that the applicant has met the burden of proof, pursuant to 11 DCMR 3107 that there exists an exceptional or extraordinary situation or condition related to the property which creates a practical difficulty for the owner in complying with the Zoning Regulations, and that the requested relief can be granted without substantial detriment to the public good and without substantially impairing the intent, purpose and integrity of the zone plan as embodied in the Zoning Regulations and Map. The Board further concludes that the applicant has met the burden of proof pursuant to 11 DCMR 3108 that the requested relief can be granted as being in harmony with the general purpose and intent of the Zoning Regulations and Map. The Board concludes that granting the requested relief will not tend to affect adversely the use of neighboring property in accordance with the Zoning Regulations and Map. It is therefore **ORDERED** that the application be **GRANTED**.

Pursuant to 11 DCMR 3301.1, the Board has determined to waive the requirement of 11 DCMR 3331.3 that the order of the Board be accompanied by findings of fact and conclusions of law. The waiver will not prejudice the rights of any party, and is appropriate in this case.

**Vote: 3 – 0** (Betty King, Sheila Cross Reid and Susan Morgan Hinton to grant; Laura M. Richards not present, not voting).

**BY ORDER OF THE D.C. BOARD OF ZONING ADJUSTMENT**

**ATTESTED BY:**



**MADELIENE H. DOBBINS  
DIRECTOR**

**FINAL DATE OF ORDER:** MAR 13 1998

PURSUANT TO D.C. CODE SEC. 1-2531 (1987), SECTION 267 OF D.C. LAW 2-38, THE HUMAN RIGHTS ACT OF 1977, THE APPLICANT IS REQUIRED TO COMPLY FULLY WITH THE PROVISIONS OF D.C. LAW 2-38, AS AMENDED, CODIFIED AS D.C. CODE, TITLE 1, CHAPTER 25 (1987), AND THIS ORDER IS CONDITIONED UPON FULL COMPLIANCE WITH THOSE PROVISIONS. THE FAILURE OR REFUSAL OF APPLICANT TO COMPLY WITH ANY PROVISIONS OF D.C. LAW 2-38, AS AMENDED, SHALL BE A PROPER BASIS FOR THE REVOCATION OF THIS ORDER.

UNDER 11 DCMR § 3103.1, "NO DECISION OR ORDER OF THE BOARD SHALL TAKE EFFECT UNTIL TEN DAYS AFTER HAVING BECOME FINAL PURSUANT TO THE SUPPLEMENTAL RULES OF PRACTICE AND PROCEDURE BEFORE THE BOARD OF ZONING ADJUSTMENT.

THIS ORDER OF THE BOARD IS VALID FOR A PERIOD OF TWO YEARS AFTER THE EFFECTIVE DATE OF THIS ORDER, UNLESS WITHIN SUCH PERIOD AN APPLICATION FOR A BUILDING PERMIT OR CERTIFICATE OF OCCUPANCY IS FILED WITH THE DEPARTMENT OF CONSUMER AND REGULATORY AFFAIRS.

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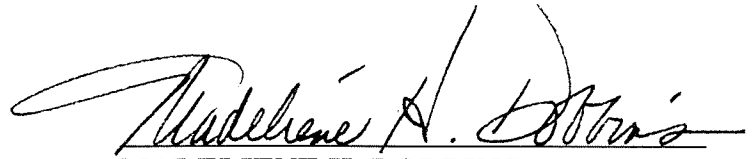
As Director of the Board of Zoning Adjustment, I hereby certify and attest that on MAR 13 1998 a copy of the order entered on that date in this matter was mailed first class postage prepaid to each party who appeared and participated in the public hearing concerning this matter, and who is listed below:

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